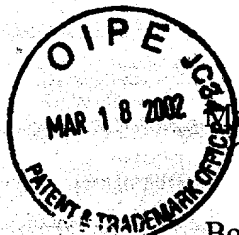


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Re: U.S. Patent Application No.: **10/047,941** - filed: January 15, 2002  
Entitled: *Biodegradable Polymers Chain-Extended by Phosphates,  
Compositions, Articles and Methods for Making and Using  
Same*

By: Mao, et al.

Docket No.: GPT-005.03 (22140-503)

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed February 20, 2001,  
Applicants enclose for filing in the above-referenced patent application the following:

1. This Missing Parts Transmittal Letter with Certificate of First Class Mailing (*in duplicate*);
2. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
3. 14 Sheets of Substitute Drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84;
4. A check in the amount of \$710.00; and
5. A return receipt postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayments or credit any overpayments to our **Deposit Account No. 06-1448**.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 370 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$275.
  - \$135 for 15 total claims over 20.
  - \$140 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 710.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. ( 5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
  - drawings submitted to the Office are not electronically reproducible. Drawing sheets must be submitted on paper which is flexible, strong, white, smooth, non-shiny, and durable (see 37 CFR 1.84(e));

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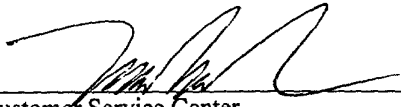
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